



ENERGY CONNECTION



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A MESSAGE FROM THE COMMANDER Brig Gen Jimmy Canlas

Team Energy,

On Friday, June 18, 2021, President Joseph R. Biden Jr. signed the Juneteenth National Independence Day Act establishing June 19th as a federal holiday. Historically, this day was known as Jubilee Day, commemorating the emancipation of enslaved African Americans by federal troops in Galveston, Texas, on June 19, 1865.

Our citizens will be remembering this as a symbolic day in the history of our nation. As the country continues to heal from the pains of our nation's past, let us pledge to learn from one another and create platforms where we all can have open and candid dialogue.

We will continue to evolve as an organization in recognizing our cultural differences and similarities as we add value to the layers of inclusion, diversity, equality, and the uniqueness we all possess in the workplace and the communities we live.

We all have a role in building a better United States of America for ourselves and posterity. We must stay committed to advancing racial justice and equity not only on Juneteenth, but every day.

I continue to be humbled to be your servant and honored to be your commander.

Juneteenth

On Friday, June 18, 2021, the federal government recognized Juneteenth (June 19) as a federal holiday for the first time in our nation's history. The [President's Proclamation](#) noted, "Juneteenth is a day of profound weight and power."

Here are a few excerpts from [the proclamation](#):

On June 19, 1865 — nearly nine decades after our Nation's founding, and more than 2 years after President Lincoln signed the Emancipation Proclamation — enslaved Americans in Galveston, Texas, finally received word that they were free from bondage. As those who were formerly enslaved were recognized for the first time as citizens, Black Americans came to commemorate Juneteenth with celebrations across the country, building new lives and a new tradition that we honor today. In its celebration of freedom, Juneteenth is a day that should be recognized by all Americans. And that is why I am proud to have consecrated Juneteenth as our newest national holiday.

On Juneteenth, we recommit ourselves to the work of equity, equality, and justice. And, we celebrate the centuries of struggle, courage, and hope that have brought us to this time of progress and possibility. That work has been led throughout our history by abolitionists and educators, civil rights advocates and lawyers, courageous activists and trade unionists, public officials, and everyday Americans who have helped make real the ideals of our founding documents for all.

There is still more work to do. As we emerge from the long, dark winter of the COVID-19 pandemic, for example, racial equity remains at the heart of our efforts to vaccinate the Nation and beat the virus. We must recognize that Black Americans, among other people of color, have shouldered a disproportionate burden of loss — while also carrying us through disproportionately as essential workers and health care providers on the front lines of the crisis.

Juneteenth not only commemorates the past. It calls us to action today.



**HQC/NCR COVID-19 Reconstitution Status:
Phase 0 - HPCON B**

Farewell



Congratulations to Howard Kaufer, DLA Energy Supply Chain Counsel, who retired with 37 years of service on June 23.

Thank you Howard for your excellent counsel, support and commitment to the mission!

Howard and his wife, Kim

IT Reconstitution preparation

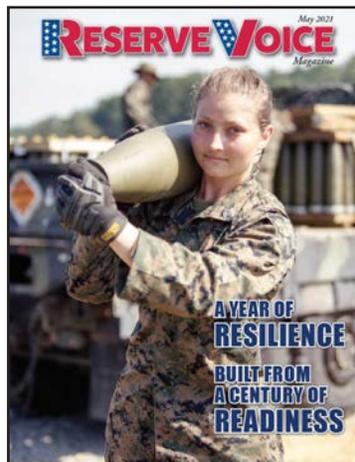
DLA IT is proactively working to ensure the transition back into the office is as smooth as possible. Here are a few IT items to be aware of when that time comes:

- Bring your computer with you to the office just in case your zero client has issues.
- Use your dock station to access the network. If you need a docking station or other computer accessory submit a [SPOE ticket](#).
- If you can't connect, try [connecting to the UMC wireless network where available](#). Or [use your iPhone hotspot for temporary network access](#).
- Before logging into your computer on site, reset your desk phone (unplug the Ethernet cable/"LAN" on the phone and plug it back in). After the reset, [log into your extension mobility profile](#).
- [Adjust your monitor settings if needed](#).
- [Reconnect printers](#).

For support, call 855.352.0001 or the [SPOE website](#).

EEO: Did you Know?

Did you know managers in the federal government can hire people with disabilities, including disabled veterans, non-competitively under various **hiring authorities**? Watch for upcoming training to learn more.



Amber Hutchison, DLA Energy Resolution Specialist and Marine Corps Reservist, was on the cover of "RESERVE VOICE" Magazine in May. In the picture, she is carrying ~100 pounds of ammunition.

Sgt. Amber Hutchison, a motor transportation operator with [Hotel Battery](#),

carries a 155mm high explosive round to a firing position at Fort Pickett, Va., July 21, 2020, during annual training.

Condolences



George Treloar from the Quality Technical Directorate unexpectedly passed on June 16. George worked for DLA Energy for nearly 12 of his 40 years of federal service.

His memorial service is on Saturday, July 3, from 1-3pm at the Miller Funeral Home in Woodbridge, VA.

NEWS

June 1: The **DLA Energy International Agreements team** worked with the INDOPACOM team to establish a long-term fuel agreement between the U.S. DOD and India Ministry of Defence. [Read more in this DLA News Story.](#)

June 3: The **DLA Energy Installation Energy team** awarded a \$19 million energy savings performance contract on Cannon Air Force Base, New Mexico. [Read more in this DLA News Story.](#)

June 7: The **DLA Energy Facility Sustainment team** continues to streamline processes and improve customer support after the 2020 DLA realignment plan merged fuels SRM program management and technical expertise under one command and control umbrella. [Read more in this DLA News Story.](#)

Dwight D. Eisenhower School
for National Security & Resource Strategy
Graduates



Peter Battaglia



Rachel Dunlap



Khalid Hamidi



John Phinisey

June 10: Congratulations to four DLA employees who graduated from the [Eisenhower School for National Security & Resource Strategy](#), Fort McNair, Washington, DC.

As part of the [Executive Development Program](#), **J3's Peter Battaglia and DLA Energy's Rachel Dunlap, Khalid Hamidi, and John Phinisey** each earned a Master of Science in National Resource Strategy.

[Read more in this DLA News story.](#)